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Memo to: MCSA Executive Committee
From: President Brichacek
Subject: Executive Committee Meeting, September 26th, 2018

Called to order at 8:08

I. Approve Agenda

- A. Brown motions
- B. Johnson seconds
- C. Motion passes

II. Approve Minutes from [9.19.18](#)

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- B. Johnson seconds
- C. Motion passes

III. Old Business:

A. [Voter Registration Tabling](#)

Sign up if you have any time available for this, there are tabs at the bottom for each week.

B. [Organization Representative Applications](#)

- 1. Tell a friend!

People can apply whenever regardless of last week's deadline. We'll take any and all applications.

C. Candidate Forum

- 1. Wednesday, October 3rd
- 2. [Volunteer Sign Up](#)
- 3. No Exec Next Week

IV. New Business:

A. "Too Many Programs" - Dave Israels-Swenson

Brichacek- We have too many programs, not too many organizations but too many things happening which is overwhelming for students because it's constant activity. Maybe MCSA can do something to counter this.

Nelson- What if we had a Community Hour at night for relaxing where no organizations can meet and no programming can happen at this time?

Brichacek- If you can think of anything else to solve this issue, let me know or talk to Dave Israels-Swenson.

B. First Campus Assembly on Tuesday, October 2nd

1. Endorsement of Vision and Goals

Brichacek- These are not what anybody has seen at all. Wait until you get the Campus Assembly email and then go in and read all the Vision and Goals. If you have anything you want changed, voice your concerns at Campus Assembly and vote no on approving it.

Brown- They did change the statement a lot over the summer and it's a lot better now.

Brichacek- Please make sure you read it before Campus Assembly so we can endorse it. If you have to miss the meeting, email Carrie Grussing.

2. Brown- The Membership Committee will be introducing a draft for the Vice Chancellor Search Committee membership and will send it out to campus. Please look at the draft and if you have any feelings about who is on the committee, please remember it and voice it at Campus Assembly.

C. [Budget Discussion](#)

1. Rework due to Candidate Forum

Brichacek- There are a few different action items proposed but it will be a shorter, lively meeting. Please look at the budget and let us know if there's anything that should be changed.

Brown- We have decided not to do a retreat because it was kind of a waste MCSA money just to learn Robert's Rules. Instead we should have a bonfire at someone's house and maybe a potluck for bonding and learning Robert's Rules.

D. Any ideas for what to do next?

Bauer- I will not be at forum next week so Johnson will be doing the Sustainability Update. We should do something other than Kahoot each forum in order to mix it up.

Brichacek- It might be fun to do a Green Tour after we've learned more about Sustainability things on campus.

Brown- We're required by MCSA to do a Green Tour which will be sometime this year, probably on a Saturday.

Hunt- Think we should look at the Transportation Garage because they do cool things and people don't know about it.

Brown- You could talk about the Welcome Center and its sustainable architecture and efforts.

Johnson- We could talk to people about what is recyclable or not (i.e. candy wrappers are not recyclable and you have to rinse containers before recycling them).

Brichacek- It might be fun to have a game where we bring in recyclables and which ones can be recycled or not.

Bauer- People from Germany are coming next week which should be cool. They come to learn about our sustainability efforts and Morris' partnership with Sarbeck, Germany. We should do the Kahoot next week about the Germans coming because they will be here on Tuesday.

E. Member, Committee, and Organization Reports

1. Brichacek
2. Brown- We are currently planning Consent Week planning. This year the sponsoring orgs are MPIRG, The Wellness Center, The Violence Prevention Program, ORL, WOCA, GSA/MoQSIE, and MoFems. We've scheduled all the events for the week of October 15th - 18th.
3. Rosemark
4. Gillette
5. Nelson- I will make an announcement at the Curriculum Committee meeting tomorrow that Academic Affairs is up and running, at the service of the Curriculum Committee, and if they want anything to be talked to. It's going to be busy at tomorrow's meeting but next week we're hoping to have a brainstorming session.
6. Westfield- Curriculum is forming a sub-committee for the search for the new Chancellor of Academic Affairs. Nelson you should probably think about joining that.
7. Bias
8. Hassinger

9. Johnson- Want to gauge interest in taking this on but as some of you have heard, Zachary Holland passed away last week. We had a meeting today with Student Affairs about doing a memorial or something on campus. Vice Chancellor Olson-Loy mentioned MCSA being a part of it but no specific details. There are no details yet but just wanted to gauge our interest in this effort and if we want to be involved.

Brown- In the past, MCSA has done a memorial when students die.

Johnson- Tomorrow all his friends will be gathering to discuss what to do about this.

Bauer- My first thought about this is that, in theory, memorials are always for the person who passed but really it's for those who are mourning.

Johnson- We've talked about doing something like planting a tree and watching it grow or having a memorial stargazing session for him as a big group. We want to have something permanent and also a gathering of people for him. We have no solid plans yet.

Brown- What about trying to do a rugby or cross country scholarship in honor of him? We can do it at the Gala, there's no reason the Functions and Awards Committee can't make that happen.

Johnson- Thanks for your ideas, I'll bring it to his friends and family.

Hunt- Maybe we could talk to the on-campus observatory and make it more accessible to students (because he loved stargazing). We could look at putting more resources towards it because it's never used.

Johnson- I really appreciate this opportunity to have this memorial for Zach because he wasn't an enrolled student at the time of his death.

Bauer- A memorial where the other ones are, on the walk to 7th St behind the Horse Aarn is a top tier idea. There shouldn't have to be a budget for this but it is necessary.

Johnson- It was brought up at the Student Affairs Committee that there should be more accessible for mental health services on campus and how there's no follow-up for students who have been turned away from

counseling appointments. This could maybe join with of campus support resources and changing support group structures.

10. Scanlan

11. Bauer- The Germans are coming, this is a big deal because we re-signed a partnership with Sarbeck which has been awarded the greenest city in Europe multiple times. Last night some people went and had dinner with City Council members about what is happening on campus and in city for sustainability and the biggest takeaway was that Council members don't know how proud they should be of the things were doing here. We are having a Greencorps member coming next week to be here helping for 9 months. It's exciting to get energy built up from Council members, pride and excitement is a good first step.

Hunt- It's worth noting that we are doing this much stuff with so little resources on campus and in town.

V. Agenda Construction for [October 1st](#)

VI. Open Discussion

Brown- Keep yourself healthy. Monday and Tuesday before the forum, MPIRG folks will table and register people to vote and tell them about the forum.

Hunt- The forum poster will be in the UR this week.

VII. Adjourn.

8:48